CIP EXPENSE DETAIL

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION: CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

7/28/11 Austin Water Utility

SUBJECT. Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the Harris Branch Interceptor Lower A Project for a 1.160-acre tract of land for a wastewater line easement, being out of and a part of the Lucas Munos Survey No. 55, Abstract No. 513, in Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$17,400. The owner of the needed property interests is AUSTIN HB RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES, LTD. The property is located on the east side of Harris Branch Parkway, 0.5 mile south of Parmer Lane in the northeast portion of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Department: Austin Water Utility

Project Name: Harris Branch Interceptor Lwr A Fund/Department/Unit: 4570 2307 8843

Funding Source: Commercial Paper

Current Appropriation:1,142,000.00Unencumbered Balance:226,568.01Amount of This Action:(17,400.00)Remaining Balance:209,168.01

Total Amount of this Action 17,400.00

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The design plans for the Harris Branch Interceptor Lower A Project require the acquisition of a 1.160-acre (50,519 square foot) tract of land for a permanent wastewater line easement, being out of and a part of the Lucas Munos Survey No. 55, Abstract No. 513, in Travis County, Texas

The Harris Branch Interceptor Lower A Project is one of two designs that will redirect by gravity flow the wastewater flows from the Harris Branch Wastewater Treatment Plant to the Wildhorse Wastewater Treatment Plant and allow for the decommissioning of the existing Harris Branch Wastewater Treatment Plant. "Lower A" consists of approximately 7,800 linear feet of 30-inch pipe, which include two creek crossings of Harris Branch Creek, one county road crossing (Boyce Lane) and one TxDOT road crossing (Parmer Lane), and connect to a manhole in the "Lower B" interceptor west of SH 130.

The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed easement. The City and the property owner were unable to agree on the value of the needed acquisition. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.